

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner: SZNAIDMAN, Marcos L. Art Unit: 1611

Re: Application of: KIM, Myung-Hwa, et al.

Serial No.: 10/562,615

Filed: July 27, 2006

For: **TRICYCLIC DERIVATIVES OR
PHARMACEUTICALLY SALTS THEREOF,
THEIR PREPARATIONS AND
PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS
CONTAINING THEM**

Confirmation No.: 6138

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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February 24, 2009

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2008, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.

CERTIFICATE

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